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For: COMPOSITE POROUS MEMBRANE AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Official Action of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated May 4, 2010. Inasmuch as this response is filed by August 4, 2010, it is timely filed and no Extension of Time is required. However, if the Office deems any additional fee to be required, Applicants request such fee and expressly authorize the charging of such fee to Deposit Account 19-0089.

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

**Remarks** begin on page 7.